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SUBJECT: OFFICIALS ARRESTED; MORE INCIDENTS; ZEMETCHA DIRECTIVE

1. ETHIOPIAN HERALD OF JUNE 18 IN BRIEF TWO SENTENCE STATEMENT DISCLOSED ARREST OF FANTAYE WOLDE-YOHANNES, PERMANENT SECRETARY IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ABRAHAM WORKINEH, VICE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND POSTS.

2. COMMENT: NO REASON WAS GIVEN FOR ARRESTS BUT FSL WHO SAYS HE IS CLOSE RELATIVE OF FANTAYE ALLEGES THEY WERE ARRESTED FOR MISAPPROPRIATION OF GOVERNMENTS FUNDS. END COMMENT.

3. EMBASSY HAS HARD REPORT THAT FOUR PEOPLE DIED IN WOLLAMO SODO ON JUNE 16 IN COURSE LOCAL CLASHES.

4. ECCLESIASTICAL SOURCES STATE THAT LEKEMPT IN GRIP STUDENT STRIKE FOLLOWING SHOOTING OF ZEMATCH BY POLICE.

5. INTRA-MILITARY TENSIONS, ROAD BLOCKS AND FIRING EPISODES ARE REPORTED FROM HARARGHE (ALEMAYA). THERE WAS BURST OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE ON JIMMA ROAD IN ADDIS EVENING JUNE 17, CAUSE UNKNOWN BUT POSSIBLY RELATED TO ARRESTS REPORTED ABOVE.

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6. RADIO ETHIOPIA, JUNE 17, CARRIED DIRECTIVE TO HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPALS FROM ZEMETCHA HEADQUARTERS. DIRECTIVE, ASCRIBED TO
"CHAIRMAN" OF ZEMETCHA, MAJOR KIROS ALEMAYEHU, STATED THAT
TENTH GRADERS WHO ARE NOW IN SECOND SEMESTER WILL RPT WILL PARTI-
CIPATE IN "NEXT PHASE" OF THE ZEMETCHA NEXT SCHOOL YEAR (VIZ. IN
LIEU OF CONTINUING INTO ELEVENTH GRADE). COMMENT: NO WORD YET ON
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND COLLEGE STUDENTS.
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